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To: Agency Elint Officer

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence

THROUGH: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

SUBJECT: Implementation of Killian Report, NSC Action 1430:
Specific Recommendation C. 6

Tab VIII

1. By virtue of its action on 4 August 1955 (number 1430) the NSC "noted that the responsible agencies have concurred either in full or with qualifications in the following recommendations and will implement them as indicated in the comments." The comments as far as this Agency is concerned have been embodied in a memorandum from the DCI to Executive Secretary of the NSC dated 6 June 1955 under the subject of "NSC action 1355" (TS#103738).

2. Specific Recommendation C. 6 of the Killian Report reads as follows:

"There are generally recognized technical and administrative problems in the field of ELINT (electronic noise listening). This situation urgently needs attention. A combination of technical knowledge and adequate authority at a high level is required."

According to our comment the recommendation has been implemented by issuance of NSCID-17. Do you feel there are further developments that pertain to this recommendation or the activities under NSCID-17, which the Director might make note of in the event that a report to the NSC is made on the action taken to implement the Killian report? In that event, I would appreciate receiving your statement by 1 April 1956.

3. If you think such is not necessary, may I have a note to that effect.

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